

Minutes of Gorham Public Library Trustees' Meeting of June 23, 2015

Trustees Present:

Aaron Gorban, Chair; Gail Wigler, Treasurer; David Graham, Secretary; Clint Emmett, Alternate Trustee

Staff / Others Present:

Elizabeth Thompson, Director

The meeting was called to order by Chair Aaron Gorban at 6:00PM.

Gail Wigler moved to accept the meeting minutes from the Library Trustees' Meeting of May 26, 2015. David Graham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Copies of the report were provided to all members. This was reviewed by Treasurer Gail Wigler. Gail reported that her first month as Treasurer went well and that she and Elizabeth have worked out a schedule. The only news is that the renovations to the main entry space – painting, etc. – have been completed. The only remaining item is the hanging of the White Mountains picture over the fireplace. Total cost was \$ 2,343, mostly paid by the Murphy fund. Overall spending is consistent with budget plan. There was a brief discussion of whether the trustees preferred the current written reports or if there was more information required. The consensus was that the current system was sufficient. However, Elizabeth will look to consider additional materials that might be helpful to the Trustees. On Motion, the Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

Director's Report:

Director Elizabeth Thompson reported on a number of items:

- ✓ As mentioned in Gail's report, renovations are complete except for the picture which Elizabeth hopes will be added soon.
- ✓ Elizabeth mentioned that the carpet runner was quite worn and needs replacement. She will look into this and keep us posted.
- ✓ Elizabeth reported that gardening work had been completed and she was very pleased with the results. She thanked the volunteers, in particular Gail Wigler, Clint Emmett and his family, and others.
- ✓ A genealogy training session was held here with two other libraries attending. Connie and Meg attended the training for the GPL.
- ✓ The recent "Understanding Bobcats" presentation was well received with 15 people in attendance.
- ✓ Two grants are currently pending. One is for \$ 4,200 written by Aaron Gorban, for children's computers and supplies.
- ✓ A series on Abenaki history will be presented as a joint effort by Berlin Public Library, WMCC, and the GPL. This is funded through a Humanities grant.
- ✓ We have received a grant from the Libri Foundation for \$ 1,000 worth of children's books. These will be selected by Elizabeth.
- ✓ Elizabeth is highlighting "Junior Non-Fiction" in the reading room to encourage reading in interesting areas.
- ✓ The Summer Reading Program will run from 7-1-15 to 8-5-15. It will start with a Magic Show. GCLC is involved in the SRP.
- ✓ On 7-9-15 Jeff Warner will present "Family Fun with Folk Music", an intergenerational musical program
- ✓ Library will be closed 7-3 & 7-4.
- ✓ We are currently experiencing an increase in the outdoors / hikers population who utilize library facilities and services including free internet. These are services the GPL provides to all visitors.

Other Business:

None

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 6:00PM

A Motion to Adjourn passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:39PM.